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Group Art Unit: 3765  
Docket No.: DES-L 3.0-009

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In re Patent Application of:	:
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Application No.: 09/904,427	: Group Art Unit: 3765
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Filed: July 12, 2001	: Examiner: A. B. Vanatta
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For: COLLAR PROTECTOR	:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-4, 8-10, 12, 13, 23-28, 30-32, 34, 35, 43-48, 57 and 59-61, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER****Expedited Procedure**Application No.  
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Applicant(s): Irving Tiss and Burton J. Schwartz

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Invention: COLLAR PROTECTOR

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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